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To

The Collector,

Bellary.

Sir,

Sub: Complaint against Village Magistrate and President Forest Panchayat, Gadiganur Village, Hospet Taluk for his high handed acts and threats.

We the undersigned Harijans residing in Gadiganur village, Hospet Taluk representing all the other Harijans of that Village beg to place the following facts for your kind consideration and suitable necessary action thereon.

Sri.Virupaksha Gowd the present Village Magistrate has been compelling us, under threat of dispossessing us from about 30 acres in S.No.1 of Gonahal Village and other lands cultivated by us and others numbering 10 families cultivation this year after spending much money and labour to bring the said lands under cultivation from the ~~xxxx~~ state of barrenness, to give evidence on his behalf before authorities that he is a good man though our experience has shown that he is quite the other way. To give only one out of many instances proving him a bad man he is getting I.D.Arrack manufactured and sold very freely by his bootlegge and higherlengs when he is duty as V.M.to prevent. How can we conscientiously ~~conditionsly~~ act according to his dictation and we are made known the consquences of speaking the truth.

The said Virupaksha Gowd further wants the we should support his candidature for membership and Presidentship in the Forest Panchayat Ele ction which is to come off shortly and in case he is not returned either as a member or as a President to support his nominee for the President-ship. There is also ~~xxx~~ the mailed threat of disastrous consquences to us if not following his orders.

We are terribly afraid of him and his position as Village M Magistrate which would bring troubles and loss to us. We are poor Harijans who can easily be made to answer any ~~faults~~ false charges in criminal court more especially when a Village Magistrate capable of doing such things is against us.

We cannot exercise our unfetteredjudgement and with this powerful man we cannot have peaceful life in our village. We pray that he may be kept under suspension and enquiries may be made and the truth will be come known. Being a man in power and feared, truth cannot be placed before authorities unless he is kept out of office or sent out of village.

We therefore pray for prevention against future mischief, and loss and troubles ~~xxx xx~~ at the hands Village Magistrate Virupaksha Gowd and for exercise of our rights to speak out truely all facts concerning him and for keeping him under suspension or away from the village during enquiry regarding him and his misdeeds about which representations have been made many times previously to the authorities.

We beg to remain,
Sir,
Yours faithfully,

Bellary,
D/4-8-1952.

L.T. Mark of
Gangappa

L.T. Mark of
Kanchappa forest
member Harijan.

L.T. Mark of
Hulugeppa

L.T.M. of
Bodavva

L.T.M. of
Hanumantha.

L.T.M. of
Hulugamma

To,

The District Forest Officer
Bellary.

Sir,

We, the resident ryots of Gadiganur Village, Hospet Taluk, beg to bring the following facts to your kind notice for necessary action thereon.

The present village Magistrate Virupaksha Goud of Gadiganur who was removed from and reinstated by orders being stayed and whose appeal with rererence of Forest Panchayat Election at Gadiganur is still pending has been doing things arbitrarily and nigh handedly. He has been using all unlawful methods to continue his hold over the Panchayat by himself becoming member and President or by his nominee becoming President and he is not leaving any stone unturned for this end. It is a pity there should not have been a stay order in the interest of finding out of allegations against him. But it is his luck and our misfortune. He has been threatening people and dictating his terms to them under heavy penalty for the consequences of his orders being disobeyed.

He has given permits when he ought not to have given permits last month as it is closing period. Hence he is aware of this Rule and was specifically intructed not to do so but of what avail are they to this Virupaksha Goud who is a notorious, I.D. Manufacturer, seller and profiteer in having a set of bootleggers and hirelings under him who are terrorising us, and nefarious ways. We herewith enclose one out of several permits issued by him last month and their numbers are not noted in them. The date of issue of this enclosed permit is 26-7-52.

We pray that suitable action may kindly be taken to

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to have him suspended until at least the enquiries against him are over.

For which act or kindness We ever pray.

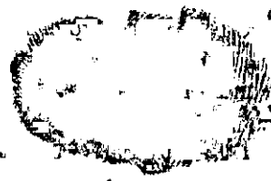
We beg to remain,

sir,
Yours faithfully,

L. T. M. of Gangappa

L. T. M. of Hulugappa

L. T. M. of Hanumanthe.


L. T. M. of Kanchappa. Forest member. Harijan

L. T. M. of Boddanna.

L. T. M. Hulugamma.

Gadiganur. Bellary camp
Dated. 4/8/1952.

To AS.

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Please see the persons on pp 1 to 3 above. They contain allegations against the V.A of Gadiganur village, Hospet taluk, Bellary Dt. The petitions ~~have been~~ are addressed to the Collector of Bellary. No action is called for here. May be lodged in file/A

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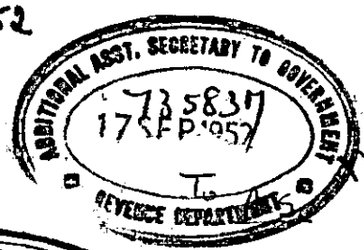

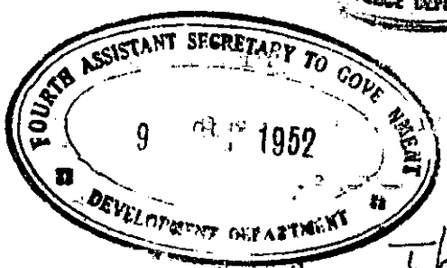

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To A.S

Please see the notes on page 4 ante. The papers may now be lodged.

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